

# The Home

## OF Practical Christmas Gifts

Why pay your money out for something that is not practical

Buy something that your Mother, Sister or Sweet heart can wear.

### For the Mother

What would be better than a Nice New Dress, Table Cloth, Napkins or Towels.

### For the Sweetheart

than a pair of Gloves, Handkerchief, or novelty Dress or Silk Waist Pattern.

### For the Sister

a pair of nice Saxony or Kid Mitts, a Cape, Jacket or Umbrella.

We might go on enumerating articles by the score, but the foregoing will give you a good idea what to buy for useful Christmas presents.

Yours for Close Prices

## Westhoff & Carson.

MONROE CITY, MO.

Monroe City Mo Dec. 1899  
Dear Santa Clause. Please send me a cup and sauce and plate Bring me a handkerchief, I want a little couch. Please send me a picture of you. Your friend  
Helen Gosney.

Monroe City, Mo. Nov 27 1899  
My Dear Old Santa Clause you told me last Christmas that your home was away up in Siberia. Now I hope you are not frozen for you said last time you was here that you froze one of your ears and I do hope you will come & bring me a great big doll and put it on the Christmas tree at Bro Nicholason church and when you call my Name I will hold my hand away up high I was 4 years old July 2 Now dont forget to come yours  
Lovingly Juliet M. Green

Monroe City. Mo December 4  
Dear santa clause I am a little boy nine years old. I have no brother and have no sister. But I have a mama and a Papa. I live in the south part of town. I want you to find me. I will tell you what I want. Please bring me a story book. A pair of gloves with fingers in them to ware to sunday school. And a Air gun. I will not ask you for anything more. for I want

ou to bring my papa and mama something. All the other children are. looking for you too. that is all. your loveing  
Harry B. Maddox.

Indian Creek Mo Nov. 27, 1899  
Dear Santa Claus,—I have not heard from you since last Christmas. I hope you will soon be around to see me again. I have a little brother two years old. I want you know him om your next visit. He will hang up his stocking next Christmas Eve. I hope you will bring him some candy and me a story book I am seven pears old and live swinkey. your friend,  
Maggie Spalding.

Noonan Mo Dear santa claus I an six years old Bring me a new dress I Want nuts. candy. Bananas dont for get me and other little grils and Boys dont for get my little brother nelson and ralph. I will close for this time I want a little doll buggy  
Lena Brown

Monroe City mo. December 1st 1899 Dear Santa claus. I am a little girl 8 years old. I thought I would write you a letter and tell you what I wanted. I want a doll and a french harp. I will hang my stocking

by the chimney, and I hope you will find it.

Ruby E. Rouse.

Monroe City Mo Dec. 10, 1899.  
Dear Santocluse I will be three years old in January I live six miles north west of town I want a little wagon bracelet doll candy and penuts

your little friend  
Merie Gosney

Monroe City Mo Dec. 1st 1899  
Dear old Santa Clause I will try to write you a few lines to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a sack of candy an orange and some nuts. I would like to have an air gun or a bow gun or any kind of a gun. For you know that a boy is never satisfied until he has a gun. And now dear old Santa Clause if you think it is safe for aboy like me to have a gun, please bring me one of some kind. I wont shoot any thing but rabbits, birds, cats and mamas old turkey gobbler. Please bring my little Sister a set of dishes and a stove. And we will always love you.

From your little friend,  
Cleveland Wilson.

Monroe City mo Dec 11 1899  
Dear Santa I will be nine years old in may I am going to school. I havent miss a day I am in the first reader and I always know my lessons well. I would like to have a big doll some candy penuts new dress hoping you will not forget me I remain your friend

Elsie McLeod

Dec th 12 1899.

Dear old Santa hear I am again asking you to suply my wants but dear old Santa I trust you will be patient with me as I am not going to ask you for much this time as you know these are McKinley times but dear old Santa I am A Little girl go to school every day my teacher is Miss Bennie Stevens she is so kind to me and I Love her. so Santa if times are not to hard Please Bring me A little mcintosh A nice warm Hood a ring some candy and nuts this is all Dear Santa good By.

Little Fannie Hagar.

Monroe City Mo Dec. 11, 1899  
Dear Santa Claus I am late making up my mind to write to you to let you know my wants for Christmas. Dont get scared when I tell you. First—a rubber-coat, a Story Book a knife. lats of candy and nuts. Age 8 yrs.

yours with faith,

Willie Hawkins.

Monroe City Mo Dec. 11, 1899.  
Dear Santa Claus, my wants are not very numerous this year, and I believe if I will be a good girl you will give me the few things I write for,—a ring a nice doll a mackintosh and some nuts and candy. Age 11, years

very Respect—

Frankie Hawkins

Dear santa claus give me a doll and a buggy and some nuts and sandy. I am 7 years old now.

Miss Mary Ebey  
Winchester Ill.

Dear Santa claus give me a gun and some nuts and candy. and a pair off skates. and I will be thankfull for them.

Mr. Harry Ebey.

Dear santa claus. We are twin boys we are ten years old. and want things just a like. we want to guns and some nuts and candy.

Bard and Boyd Ebey.  
Winchester Ill.

Monroe City Mo. Nov. 25 1899.  
Dear old Santa Claus.—Please bring me a handkerchief box, a

## IMMENSE:

Only a peep at our

## Holiday Goods

will convince you that we are prepared to supply your

### Wants

Useful as well as ornamental. Our stock of Lamps is unsurpassed.

### Celluloid Goods

are all the rage. Albums, none finer or better Toilet cases and sets, a large line to pick from Vases and China ware are up-to-date. Perfumes of endless variety.

### Fresh Candies in Packages or Bulk.

Our stock is too large to enumerate everything and at prices that will make them go. Come and take a look and we will feel satisfied that we can accommodate you.

Yours to please

## RANEY & SAUNDERS, PROPRIETORS THE DRUG STORE.

I am eight years old.

Emerelda Longmire.

Indian Creek, mo., november 26, 1899.

Dear Old Santa, I thought I would write you a few lines to let you know I am living. I am going to school I am studying reading and arithmetic and spelling. I have a nice pony that I can ride. I have two sisters and a little brother. I am ten years old and would be so pleased if Santa would bring me a nice little silver watch and an air gun. Good by.

I am your faithful little servant.

Joseph Spalding.

Essie Maye Powell.

Dear sweet santy clause as it is getting near time for you to come and see us I will write you a letter to let you know what I would like to have. A table a doll and some candy. You will find me at Grand Ma Lees

Goldie Fry

Dec 6th 1899 Mr Santa Clause  
Monroe City Dear Santa I am a little girl 8 years old and would like to write you a nice letter but as you will get so many letters from little Girls & Boys I am afraid you wont have time to read my letter though I hope you will for I try to be good and help Mama and I go to school I love to go very much and I would love to see you they tell me you always give good Children just they wish and I do want so very much a nice big doll with blue eyes and yellow curls so dear Santa if you can please send it to me and you will oblige

Myrtie Pierceall

Hunnewell Mo. Dec 8th 99  
Mr Santa Clause I am 6 yrs old, haveat went to school any

will write for me just what I tell her I want a little tiny tub & wash board a doll and most of all a scrap book. I wouldnt of wanted a doll but baby Oren broke mine You must not forget my littl coz. Fanny Belle Simus she lives 12 mi from here we are going to move next wk, deas you find us. I have lots of more to say but maima says this is enough. your besset little friend

Paris Mo Dec. 3-1899 Dear

Editor I was six years old in june. I go to school and get a good card every day I have only missed to days getting a Perfect card and got the Prize for head marks in my class for last quarter. I have tried to be good. Will you Please tell Santa Claus to bring me a doll a trunk and black board. I woul. thank you very much.

Ruby Umstattd.

Monroe City, Mo. Dec. 8, 1899

Dear Santa Claus, I Saw in the paper Where you wanted the little children to write you what they wanted for Christmas. I will tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a little rocking chair, pair, of Skates and some nuts and candy. I guess this is all for this time. I am Ten years old.  
From Jessie McGlothlin.

Monroe City Mo. Nov 24 1899.

Dear Santa Claus.—I am glad you never get tired of reading childrens letters. I wrote last year and was pleased with my things. I am a fat boy and can hold lots of things there is no danger of bringing too much I want a large story book and some candy and nuts and a foot ball and some games

Good By Santa

## Goody = Goodies

I handle everything that goes to make a good Christmas Dinner,

Oysters.

Celery,

Fruits

And Nuts.

Also serve Oysters in every style and put up a good Meal or Luncheon on short notice. For the best brands of Cigars on the market call on your friend.

## Jim E. Christian.